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CHICAGO, IL--Tuition increases were approved today by the Board of Governors of State Colleges and Universities for the five member schools, including Eastern Illinois University.

For the first time, there is a differential rate structure between upper and lower division undergraduate students. Under the BOG proposal, freshmen and sophomores will pay next year \$84 more in tuition and juniors and seniors will pay \$132 more.

The new tuition figures, effective with the 1982-83 academic year will be \$774 for lower division undergraduates and \$822 for upper division students. Graduate students will pay \$906, an increase of \$162. Tuition this year for all undergraduates is \$690 per year and graduate tuition \$744.

Dr. Donald Walters, the BOG Executive Director, said the differential rate structure "addresses differences in instruction costs between these student levels and is not new to public higher education in Illinois, the University of Illinois having adopted such a concept this past year."

Walters also said "lower division tuition in the Board of Governors' system will most probably be lower than any other public university in the state and that tuition levels for both upper division and graduate will be at about the average of that of the other systems."

He added: "In addition, tuition and fees will still be lower than in most neighboring states."

The BOG recommendations will next go to the Illinois Board of Higher Education for its considerations.